



[Home](#) | [About](#) | [News](#) | [Services](#) | [Contact](#)

## Boozman Bulletin: Serving Arkansans

Every day I hear from Arkansans who are having trouble resolving problems with federal agencies. More than 3,000 Arkansans reached out to my office for this reason last year alone. My staff, who is working for you to resolve these problems, has more than 61 combined years of experience navigating our complex bureaucracy and getting answers for Arkansans. I'm proud of what my staff and I have accomplished to resolve issues involving the federal government on behalf of hardworking Arkansas families, which is why I want to share some of those stories with you.



[Click here to hear from Arkansans whom we've helped](#)

We're ready to help you. Last year my staff hosted 23 successful mobile office events and our goal is to do even more in 2015. Here are some of the locations we'll be at this week:

### **Wednesday, February 11**

#### **Boone County Mobile Office**

Boone County Senior Activity and Wellness Center  
1510 Rock Springs Road, Harrison

11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

**Lawrence County Mobile Office**

Lawrence County Courthouse, Foyer  
315 West Main Street, Walnut Ridge  
1 p.m. to 3 p.m.

**Benton County Mobile Office**

First Bank Community Room  
200 North Progress, Suite 100, Siloam Springs  
11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

**Van Buren County Mobile Office**

Fairfield Bay Conference Center  
110 Lost Creek Parkway, Fairfield Bay  
10 a.m. to 12 p.m.

**Thursday, February 12**

**Crawford County Mobile Office**

Alma Senior Center  
248 Collum Lane East, Alma  
11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

**Friday, February 13**

**Columbia County Mobile Office**

Magnolia Chamber of Commerce  
211 West Main Street, Magnolia  
10 a.m. to 12 p.m.

---

## Quick Takes:

- ***Clay Hunt Suicide Prevention for American Veterans Act:*** This week the President will sign into law The Clay Hunt Suicide Prevention for American Veterans (SAV) Act. I was [proud to speak in support of this legislation](#) that unanimously passed the Senate last week to improve mental health care and suicide prevention resources for veterans by increasing access to mental health programs, providing incentives to recruit and retain psychiatrists to treat veterans and enhancing resources for members of the military transitioning to civilian life. Monday's edition of *Roll Call* included my opinion piece about the importance of the Clay Hunt SAV Act and [what next steps we should take](#) to prevent suicides

among veterans.

- **DHS Funding and the President's Executive Overreach:** In case you missed it, I spoke with the *Washington Examiner* about why [I think defunding Obama's executive actions on immigration is a "must have" in any new legislation to fund DHS](#).
- **The President's Out-of-Touch Budget Proposal:** President Obama announced his FY 2016 Budget proposal last week. If implemented, the President's proposal would create \$2.1 trillion in new taxes, increase spending by 65 percent and add \$8.5 trillion to the debt over the next ten years. It would fully fund Department of Homeland Security (DHS) with no restrictions on the President's executive order declaring amnesty. [Read why this is out-of-touch with the needs and concerns of the American people](#).
- **Keystone Pipeline:** After more than three weeks of debate and votes on several amendments, [the Senate passed, with my support, the Keystone pipeline](#). I encourage the President to join with Congress to get this project moving, instead of being the one to hold it back. The House is expected to pass this bill later this week.
- **Lifting Ban on Travel to Cuba:** I joined a bipartisan group of colleagues to introduce legislation that would [end restrictions on travel to Cuba unfairly imposed](#) on American citizens and legal residents. I believe that the way you change the world is through personal relationships. If we are serious about bringing real change to Cuba, we need to expose the Cuban people to our democratic ideals.
- **Agriculture Subcommittee Chairman:** I'm proud to serve as the [Chairman of the Senate Subcommittee on Commodities, Markets, Trade and Risk Management](#) for the 114<sup>th</sup> Congress. This subcommittee's work is important to the well-being of our agricultural economy and protecting producers.
- **What I'm Co-Sponsoring: Repealing Obamacare Act, Balanced Budget Amendment and More:** I added my support to several bills, including efforts to repeal and replace Obamacare, a Constitutional amendment that would require Washington to balance its budget and a bill to hold Iran accountable if the regime refuses to negotiate a deal regarding Tehran's nuclear program by June 30th. [Read about these bills and more in this blog post](#).
- **Protecting Religious Minorities:** I joined my colleagues on a letter urging Secretary of State John Kerry to do [more to protect Assyrian Christians and other minorities in the Nineveh Plains in northern Iraq](#) from the attacks by the Islamic State of Iraq and the Levant.
- **UA Mentoring Program for Veteran and Minority Farmers Receives Federal Funding:** I joined with U.S. Senator Tom Cotton (R-AR) and U.S. Representative Steve Womack (AR-3) to announce that the [University of Arkansas \(UA\) has been](#)

[awarded funding to develop an online and in-person training and mentoring program for military veterans and minority farmers.](#)

- **Skype with Schools:** During National School Choice Week I had the opportunity to skype with students at Haas Hall Academy in Fayetteville and LISA Academy in central Arkansas. Students at these public charter schools said having educational options was important to them because it allows them to be better prepared for their interests beyond high school graduation. [Watch the KNWA story](#) about my skype session with Haas Hall students.

